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In re Application of :
Farrell, Gregory A. :
Application No. 09/549,036 : **ON PETITION**
Filed: April 13, 2000 :
Attorney Docket No. MST-2322.1 (BYR-83) :

This is a decision on the petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b), filed September 29, 2004, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

This application became abandoned for failure to timely reply to the non-final Office action mailed March 13, 2003. A three-month extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) was obtained. Accordingly, this application became abandoned on September 14, 2003. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed December 2, 2003.

Petitioner has met the requirements to revive the above-identified application pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b).

There is no indication that the person signing the instant petition was ever given a power of attorney or authorization of agent to prosecute the above-identified application. If the person signing the instant petition desires to receive future correspondence regarding this application, the appropriate power of attorney or authorization of agent must be submitted. While a courtesy copy of this decision is being mailed to the person signing the instant petition, all future correspondence will be directed solely to the address currently of record until such time as appropriate instructions are received to the contrary.

It is not apparent whether the statement of unintentional delay was signed by a person who would have been in a position of knowing that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional. Nevertheless, in accordance with 37 CFR 10.18, the statement is accepted as constituting a certification of unintentional delay. However, in the event that petitioner has no knowledge that the delay was unintentional, petitioner must make such an inquiry to ascertain that, in fact, the delay was unintentional. If petitioner discovers that the delay was intentional, petitioner must notify the Office.

This matter is being referred to Technology Center 1700 for further examination on the merits.

Telephone inquiries regarding this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3282.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Liana Chase".

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